# PSALMS OF ASCENT

# WAITING

PSALM 130



# ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, March 15, 2020

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#### **SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION**

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

His Mercy Is More

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | Jeremiah 33:2-3, 8, 14-16 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

"Thus says the LORD who made the earth, the LORD who formed it to establish it—the LORD is his name: Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known. ... I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me". ... "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

#### **PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.

I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)

#### **PRAISE & CELEBRATION**

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Upon A Life

Your Glory

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

#### From the New City Catechism:

Q. 11. What does God require in the sixth, seventh, and eighth commandments?

A. Sixth, that we do not hurt, or hate, or be hostile to our neighbor, but be patient and peaceful, pursuing even our enemies with love. Seventh, that we abstain from sexual immorality and live purely and faithfully, whether in marriage or in single life, avoiding all impure actions, looks, words, thoughts, or desires, and whatever might lead to them. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else, nor withhold any good from someone we might benefit.

#### **KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS DISMISSAL**

Infants - Fifth Grade are dismissed. Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

#### GREETING

#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION**

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

#### PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor & Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

#### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Living Hope

#### **BENEDICTION**

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

# **SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE**

## **Proclamation of God's Word**

Text: Psalm 130 (ESV) Title: Psalms of Ascent - Waiting Teacher: Tim Rice

<sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! <sup>2</sup> O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! <sup>3</sup> If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? <sup>4</sup> But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. <sup>5</sup> I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; <sup>6</sup> my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. <sup>7</sup> O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. <sup>8</sup> And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Intro: When did you last urgently ask someone for help?

WHY CRY OUT? What can move you to cry or plead for mercy?

## WHO CAN STAND BEFORE GOD?

When have you known undeniably that you had no standing?

#### WITH HIM THERE IS FORGIVENESS.

Why can YHWH solve this problem and meet this most critical need?

# YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His surpassing worth and His kindness to hear your cries for mercy. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His power (*He is great*), and His unparalleled kindness (*He is good*).
- 2. How have you been selfish, or self-protective when you have failed, hoping to hide your need from God and others? Confess your pride to Jesus, asking Him to cleanse you and heal you by His steadfast love.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for solving a problem that we cannot solve, for meeting a need we cannot meet. Thank Him for giving His life to bear the costs of our guilt and shame, to cover us *completely in His righteousness*!
- 4. Who do you know that seems to be in "the depths" right now? Pray for them asking the Lord to help them, to cleanse their sin and give them a sure hope in His grace.
- 5. Ask the Lord to bear in you His fruit of love and joy. Ask Him to help you to grow to be a messenger of hope to everyone around you because of all that Jesus has done to forgive us and to make us whole.

#### **WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

We're so glad you are here. Please place completed tear-off in offering plate.

Name (Please Print) Gender 
Male 
Female

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address

City/State

Country/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

□ First-Time Visitor □ Regular Attendee

□ Member □ College Student

□ Update my contact information

#### I would like to receive:

□ Worship Folder & Announcement Emails

#### I would like information about:

Children's Ministry	□ New Member Class
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- □ College Ministry □ Student Ministry
- □ Community Group □ Volunteering
- □ Men's Ministry

Prayer How can our staff pray for you?

□ Women's Ministry

Community Bible Reading joincbr.com

March 16 - 21, 2020

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Romans 2 2 Kings 1	Exodus 4 Isaiah 46
Tuesday	Romans 3 2 Kings 2	Exodus 5 Isaiah 47
Wednesday	Romans 4 2 Kings 3	Exodus 6 Isaiah 48
Thursday	Romans 5 2 Kings 4	Exodus 7 Isaiah 49
Friday	Romans 6 2 Kings 5	Exodus 8 Isaiah 50
Saturday	Psalm 64	Psalm 12 Psalm 115

# Scripture Memory for the Week:

Psalm 130:1-2 (ESV) <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! <sup>2</sup> O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

#### Communication

Register for events at trinitylakeland.org/events



New Member Class - Two-part Series March 22, 12:30p & March 29, 12:30p Contact Ashley Moats for information.



Women's Ministry - Face To Face April 24, 6p & April 25, 8a - 2 Day Event! Contact JoAnn Johnson for information.

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Vacation Bible School (VBS) - Rocky Railway June 8-11, 8:45a-12p Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> if you are interested in volunteering.

# **Office Hours:**

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